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REQUEST TO APPLY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE TO CURRENT FEE DUE

Mail Stop Issue Fee

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Issue Fee paid on May 20, 2003 in the instant application be applied to the current Issue Fee due on January 18, 2007. This application was withdrawn from abandonment, and was subsequently allowed again on October 18, 2006. An AMEX Credit Card Form (PTO-2038) for payment in the amount of \$100.00 covering the increase in the Issue Fee is attached hereto.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket # 056203.49210US).

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Respectfully submitted,

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